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1. U.S. Patent No. 4,542,199, issued September 17, 1985, to Kaminsky et al.
2. U.S. Patent No. 5,621,126, issued April 15, 1997, to Canich et al.
3. U.S. Patent No. 5,153,157, issued October 6, 1992, to Hlatky et al.
4. U.S. Patent No. 6,586,356, issued July 1, 2003, to Takaoki et al.
5. K.H. WHITMIRE et al., "Oligomerization and Oxide Formation in Bismuth Aryl Alkoxides: Synthesis and Characterization of $\text{Bi}_4(\mu_4\text{-O})(\mu\text{-OC}_6\text{F}_5)_6\{\mu_3\text{-Obi}(\mu\text{-OC}_6\text{F}_5)_3\}_2(\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{CH}_3)$, $\text{Bi}_8(\mu_4\text{-O})_2(\mu_3\text{-O})_2(\mu\text{-OC}_6\text{F}_5)_{16}$, $\text{Bi}_6(\mu_3\text{-O})_4(\mu_3\text{-OC}_6\text{F}_5)\{\mu_3\text{-Obi}(\text{OC}_6\text{F}_5)_4\}_3$, $\text{NaBi}_4(\mu_3\text{-O})_2(\text{OC}_6\text{F}_5)_9(\text{THF})_2$, and $\text{Na}_2\text{Bi}_4(\mu_3\text{-O})_2(\text{OC}_6\text{F}_5)_{10}(\text{THF})_2$ ", *Inorg. Chem.*, Vol. 39, 2000, pages 85-97.

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